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Trustee Development Opportunities

Election to office does not prepare one for the complexities of educational governance. It is necessary that Trustees are encouraged to attend workshops, conferences, seminars, and conventions to continuously improve their knowledge and experience.

The Board encourages the participation of all members at appropriate school board conferences, workshops, and conventions. the Board establishes these principles and procedures for each trustee's guidance:

1. A calendar of school board conferences, conventions and workshops shall be maintained by the Superintendent/CEO. Each trustee will, periodically, decide which opportunities appear to be most promising in terms of producing direct and indirect benefits for the trustee in relation to his/her responsibility as well as for the collective benefit of the Board.
2. An equal amount for each trustee will be budgeted annually for participation at such opportunities. Reimbursement to trustees for their expenses at these opportunities will be in accordance with the school division's travel policy.
3. The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO, at the request of the Board Chair, will provide a summary of professional development expenditures incurred year to date by each trustee. Total Expenditures should not exceed the total budget for Trustee Professional Development.

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Appendix A: Trustee Development Reporting Form

Please complete upon return from a Board development conference/workshop
and file with the Chair of the Board.

Trustee Name: _____

Name of Conference: _____

Date: _____

Location: _____

Please rate (please check one):

☐ Recommended

☐ Not Recommended

Synopsis of Conference Theme: _____

Notable Presenter: _____

General Comments:

Best Idea:

Recommended Follow-Up: see below or none

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